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Student Senate reconvenes for 1991 school year

By Norb Gray

The Saint Joseph's College Student Senate met for the first time this past Monday. Among the new business brought up was the possibility of selling cigarettes at the snack bar because vending machines have been removed from campus. Also, dorm governors are expected to look into the fire ordinances of the living facilities and the possibility of making sure all dorms have smoke detectors.

The day student representative will look into the possibility of having the snack bar open during the lunch hours. The representative said that many day students have no inexpensive place to eat, so the snack bar would be helpful.

Michelle Crum, Kevin McGuff and Becky Hoover were nominated for the Senate president position. Each will be expected to give a speech at the next meeting. In addition, the proposed budget was passed and the Senate approved Student Association president Jennifer Herman's choices for the administrative committees. Each representative is expected to give a report at every meeting.

Senate members volunteering to be on the Social Welfare committee are: Laura Berrentini (chair), Kim Dryier, Erin Maloney, Luke Lengerich and Virginia Johnson. The committee will investigate the quality of food, food sources and the maintenance of the campus grounds.

The next Senate meeting is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 30.

Welcome Back Students!

Fire hits Noll Hall; causes minor damage

By Mark Ciesielski

On September 3 at approximately 5:52 p.m., residents at Noll Hall reported a fire coming from Room 217. No injuries were reported. However, there was substantial damage to the room and its contents, according to Vice President for Student Affairs William Maniscalco.

According to junior Shawn Carter, the fire was first spotted when a few members of the baseball team noticed smoke in the lights in the hallway. They immediately turns the lights off, thinking there was a problem with the wiring.

Junior Jim Gallina noticed smoke pouring from under the door of room 217, grabbed a fire extinguisher and entered the room.

"I touched the handle of the door like they say you're supposed to," said Gallina. "The handle was hot so I carefully opened the door only to find one of the closets engulfed in flames."

Gallina said he put the fire out once but as he left it started up again. This time, he couldn't handle any more smoke and had to leave. Carter then entered the room and tried to extinguish the flames. After a few seconds, however, the extinguisher was empty.

"To my knowledge, there were no more flames when I was done, but there was still tons of smoke pouring out of the room," said Carter.

Noll Resident Assistant Dave Kirkham said he acted quickly and pulled the fire alarm. He also said he was very pleased with the way the whole dorm handled the situation.

"Everyone acted very mature when they heard the alarm. Everyone took it seriously and cooperated by getting out of the dorm as quickly as possible," said Kirkham.

The residents of the room, Robert LaMere and Michael Cuff, were at dinner when the fire started, only to find the Rensselaer fire department in their room when they returned. Fire and water damage was contained to the one dorm, and the cause of the fire is unknown.

"They checked the wiring on my fish tank to see if that may have started the fire, but it didn't. We were lucky that just some sweatshirts, clothes and stuff was damaged, but that's about it," said Cuff.

LaMere believes the fire probably started on the top shelf of the closet by the way the damage looked. "it probably had to start on the top shelf [of the closet] because it didn't come up through the floor or through the walls," he said.

When it was all over, Cuff said he was taking the situation rather well. "At least my fish is all right. He's over in the science building right now," he said.

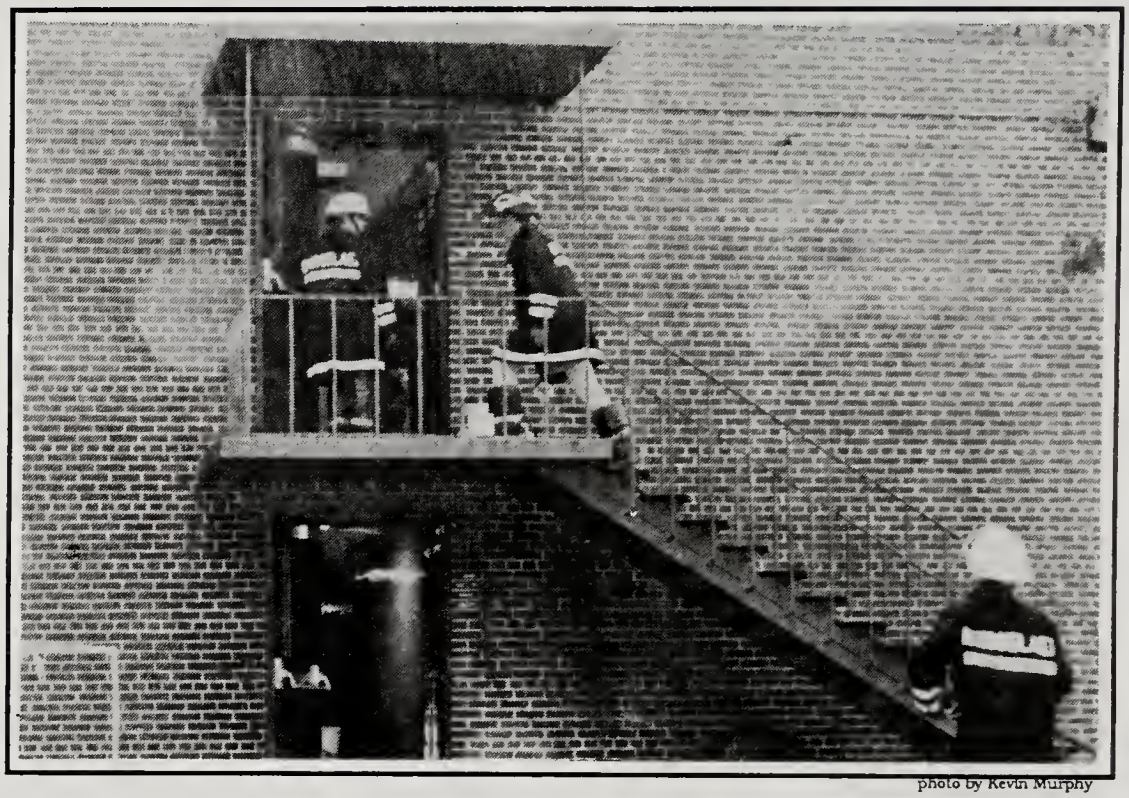

photo by Kevin Murphy

Rensselaer firefighters attend to the Sept. 3 Noll blaze, which apparently erupted from a closet in a second floor room.

Kent advocates "global vision"

By Jackie Leonard

"Two-faced rat head. Drop dead now," read a letter received by Bruce Kent, president of the international Peace Bureau, during the Gulf War earlier this year.

Kent spoke to an audience in the Saint Joseph's College auditorium on the topic "Christians and War: Changing ideas" on the evening of September 3. Here he proposed the question, "How do you love your neighbor when you are sticking a sword in his gut?"

Kent has successfully lobbied for the elimination of the expansion of nuclear arms in England. He also rallied for support for the destruction of the Berlin Wall.

He used quotes from other people to support his ideas. He quoted Maximillian who said, "i was a soldier of Caesar. i'm now a soldier of Christ."

"Military violence is not accepted by Christians," said Kent. According to him, however, during the Crusades Christians justified the warfare by saying "that vile race...the Muslims" should be exterminated simply because they were not Christians. Using excuses to exterminate a culture became known as just-warfare.

Kent commented, "Nowadays, it is difficult to imagine a situation where the just-war theory applies." He continued to say, "Any act of war aimed at the destruction of a whole city, or race, is a crime against God." Kent feels that the weaponry held by the major countries of the world has "total destructive power."

Kent claims that people want to "love their neighbors, but they also want a sense of security." He continued to say that people have a problem with looking out for their neighbors when they are the ones who want to harm you.

To eliminate the possibility of warfare, Kent proposed a series of solutions. He claims that the world is in desperate need of education. He believes that more people should study "the function of the United Nations, its funding and its reform." He claims that England has spent 24 million pounds for the funding of the United Nations but has spent 48 million pounds on military financing during the past year.

People, said Kent, also need to promote a "global vision." Kent said, "We all must attain, in our hearts, some kind of hope for the future."

"Mortuary School Graduates or Back to School, Go All American Handkerchiefs"
--Montage by Jonathan Michiels

Letters to the Editor

To the Students, Faculty and Staff,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the support I have received throughout my stay at Loyola and during my ongoing recuperation. It is impossible for you to understand how much the prayers, cards, letters and phone calls helped me. Some were from people I didn't even know but they just wanted to let me know that their thoughts were with me. You helped give me the strength I needed to fight for my life at a time when I didn't believe I was going to survive. You also reminded me that my life would still be there whenever I was able to get back in to it.

If I know you but I don't recognize you or remember your name, please don't be offended. As a result of having flatlined four times and being defibrilated I am having quite a bit of trouble with my memory. I remember some people but not others. In time, through re-associating myself with names and faces, most of my memory should come back.

Again, I cannot express what you as a group and as individuals have done for me. You will always have my deepest thanks and the thanks of my family.

Sincerely,
Barry E. Stradtner

Commentary

By Matthew Nowlin

The arrival of increasing numbers of international students to Saint Joseph's College is a step in the right direction. However, while the specific recruitment of the Middle Eastern students is an effective way to bring diversity to our college community, I cannot help but to be somewhat skeptical of the commitment of our administration to the integration and retention of these students.

The success of any social program in an academic environment relies heavily on the support and awareness of its faculty. Upon approaching several faculty members at Saint Joe, I realized there was no knowledge of this program. Apparently, little has been done to inform the faculty.

In addition to this problem, a more obvious problem exists on campus: The college community offers no means of cultural integration for the international students and no means of cultural appreciation for the domestic students. The sad fact of the matter is that this college offers no means by which the international and domestic students can interact in an academic and social environment. There are no programs, with the exceptions of the Core program and the Minority Student Affairs office, that allow the different cultures to interact in an appreciative manner.

The naked truth is that SJC's administration is failing to utilize its resources to bring cultural harmony to this campus. Both Anderson University and Valparaiso University have programs developed to accommodate this need. It is highly recommended that our administration consider studying the programs of these two schools when it re-evaluates the efficiency of its own offerings.

There is no doubt that the intent of SJC's present program is to increase the international student profile in a fashion that contributes to the community. However, there are questions left unanswered and many problems left unsolved.

This article is the first in a series of three in which the administrative policy toward minority and international students will be examined.

Editorial

The Saint Joseph's College revised Beverage Alcohol Code of Conduct has created mixed feelings among the people in the College community. For the administration, the policy provides a stratified and quantified guide to its enforcement of beverage alcohol laws concerning possesion and dispensation. For our business office, the policy enables the College to remain a recipient of government education funding. For many students, though, the policy has created fear and uncertainty, as well as anger and resentment. While some of these emotions are reactionary feelings from hot-headed youths upset that their drinks are being kept away from them, a fear of the methods used to enforce the new policy lingers.

The new policy in itself is the generator of these feelings of fear and uncertainty. By specifying only potential punishments while neglecting to specify the means of enforcement, the policy allows the administration carte blanche to execute en masse.

Do students at a private institution of higher learning enjoy the same rights afforded to them as citizens of the United States? Is what would be viewed by a court of law as illegal search and seizure, harrassment or entrapment acceptable here simply because it is a private institution?

The Beverage Alcohol Policy at Saint Joseph's College is inherently flawed. This is not to say that its overall objective, to maintain social order and rule of law, is wrong. Simply put, has this school traded enforcement of the policy for the rights of the student body?

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Men of Merlini incensed at holiday closing of library

By Jon Nichols

Labor Day 1991 was unique. It was unique because the only two groups of working people in the U.S. were Jerry Lewis and the faculty and students of Saint Joseph's College.

It is difficult to work as a student though, if your library is closed. That was the dilemma at Saint Joe on Labor Day.

Angered by the fact that the library was closed, junior Mike Crowley wrote an e-mail message to the faculty, voicing students' concern over the matter. Crowley, however, signed the message "MOM" (Men Of Merlini).

Naturally, faculty members had no idea how to respond to that letter since it was somewhat anonymous. Merlini Governor Phil Yunker requested that all faculty responses be sent to him in order to clarify things. It was then that the avalanche of faculty responses began.

Most have been positive, such as the one from Brian Capouch. "You must consider the source of the letter," said Capouch in his reply. "Merlini is a dorm in which only three of last year's upperclassmen failed to achieve above a 3.0 GPA. The Men of Merlini are generally serious students."

But this has left Crowley and others dissatisfied. "No one who made the decision to have classes on Labor Day has responded," says Crowley. "No one from the administration will take responsibility."

Former Student Senate president and Merlini resident Tom O'Neill had this to say: "How can you have classes while the student services are shut down? It's like streets not going in the right direction. If we have to work, they should too."

Crowley went on to cite examples of other SJC services that were lacking over the holiday weekend. "What about Monday night's dinner? It was leftovers that we served ourselves! A very blatant attempt to save money? How long can the administration just keep taking from students? I mean, we used to be one of the four Best Buys in colleges a few years back. Now, you won't even find us on that list."

Crowley's detractors have countered by saying that students do not understand why money must be saved and just how difficult it is to save it. "I run my own company in the summer," Crowley explained. "I KNOW why you have to save money. But a top rule in business is that if you spend some money now, it always comes back to you five times greater. Always."

It may sound as if the crass nature of the MOM letter would repulse faculty members. But Crowley and MOM are not alone in their views. Library Administrator Cathy Salyers said that she was in favor of keeping the library open. But the vote was against her and little could be done about the situation. Salyers is not alone. Several other faculty members voted against the library decision, but were outvoted.

Faculty responses still tend to drift in, most in support of how MOM decided to take it upon themselves and actually do something about a situation, rather than sit around and complain about it. Because of this letter, the lines of communication between students and administration are very slowly opening.

Lynn Allyn Young

By Merrill Ruggaber

Representative Jim Jontz congratulated freshmen academic scholarship recipients and sophomore Alpha Lambda Delta inductees at the Freshmen Academic Awards Recognition Banquet, September 8. Then he encouraged them to do more than study.

Jontz reminded students that it is just as important to be active socially as it is to work hard at their studies, and he encouraged them to become aware of the activities in and around school.

Community involvement is important to education. There are opportunities for everyone to be involved on and off campus," Jontz said. "It is mostly students who make a change in the world. College is the right time to participate and it is probably easier to start now."

He told the students about his accomplishments in college and his academic history. While at Indiana University, Jontz was active in recycling programs and was concerned about the environment. He wanted to study geology so he could become a park ranger. However, he became involved in politics.

Jontz reminded the students that he felt they are needed to help change the current problems in the world. He said that if people get involved in politics, the politicians will be more willing to change their attitudes on subjects that concern the people.

"Men and women both have made sacrifices to get us where we are today," Jontz said. "When citizens get involved, they can make a difference."

Jontz said that no matter how much students prepare academically, they must also be prepared for citizenship when they leave school.

"We need you. The world is changing every day and mostly for the better. There are still so many problems we need to face.... If unarmed people in the Soviet Union can stand up to tanks, why can't we, in the United States, influence our leaders?" he said.

New day lounge to be located in snack bar

By Mary Williams

"What happened to the day student lounge?" seems to be the most popular question on campus this semester. The renovations in the Science Building last summer remapped the rooms used for the former lounge to expand the library facility.

William Maniscalco, vice president for student affairs, is confident that another lounge will replace the old one in a matter of weeks. He said, "I am working with the physical plant department and the student government in reestablishing the day student lounge. It will be located in the lower level of Halleck Center, in what used to be the pool and game room."

Maniscalco said that the new lounge will serve the needs of the day students more effectively than the previous one. Tentative plans include air conditioning, a partitioned study area, pay and house phones, new mail boxes and cable television. In addition, a kitchen area with a refrigerator, microwave and beverage machines will provide convenience for brown bag lunches.

The possibility of opening the snack bar in Halleck to day students in being considered. The new site also will be repainted, tiled and partially panelled, in a marked contrast to the former lounge.

Any suggestions concerning the new lounge can be forwarded to Jennifer Herman, president of the Student Association, or students Andrea Burris and Ron Pickering, who have been appointed to represent day student interests in the project.

Halas RAs Kristi Corsaro (left) and Jen Vargo

Photo by Shawn Hembree

Klemme granted fellowship

By Lisa Baciu

SJC junior Sheryl Klemme has been granted a Center Fellowship by the Center for the Study of the Presidency in New York City. She is one of approximately 20 students to receive a fellowship this year.

As a Center Fellow, Klemme must write a 20-page research paper on an assigned topic, attend a convention in Richmond, Va., and act as a mediator for expert panels at an annual student symposium in Washington, D.C.

In order to become a Center Fellow, Klemme applied in April by sending a letter of qualifications and three letters of recommendation to the Center.

Klemme said, "I am looking forward to attending the symposium again next year because I am anxious to meet and work with experts in political science affairs."

In March, Klemme attended the student symposium where she was awarded the Moses Leo Gitelson award for an essay she wrote on the Bill of Rights. This essay, chosen out of 50 entries from specific undergraduate schools, will be printed in the *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, a professional journal.

Political science professor David Osterfeld praised Klemme, saying, "I think winning the essay contest is the highest academic honor we've had at this college."

I WANT TO BE YOUR FRIEND:
The plight of the SJC RA

By Shawn Hembree

Playing many roles in college life, RAs have an enormous job of taking care of their floors and still performing the duties of students. An RA must make sure there is no drinking, enforce visitation hours, perform in an emergency, perform CPR if needed, and, most importantly, be a friend.

Junior Jen Vargo is a first-year RA on Halas First. She enjoys her job, but says a lot of students do not realize that RAs are students also.

"Sometimes I do not like the RA label," she said.

She said she tries to talk to everyone and share her experiences to get to know people. She also thinks she can still have fun on her floor.

"I'm not gonna stop being me because I'm an RA," said Vargo.

Another junior, Deren Wilder, is a first-year RA on Gallagher Third. He stays out of trouble by staying away from situations that may cause problems.

All RAs must produce one campus-wide program a year as well as dorm programs. Wilder was in charge of the triathlon on September 15.

Kristi Corsaro is a senior and a second-year RA on Halas Second. She said last year there was a lot of tension, but she knows all the girls on her floor from last year so things are easier.

"I want you to know me for who I am, not for the fact that I'm an RA," Corsaro said.

Mary Popp and Chris Zanowski, the directors of Campus Life, want everyone to know that dorm rules are made to help and build support for the environment.

Corsaro said, "Not breaking some of the rules is hard, but I don't want to lose the respect I've gained from the people on my floor."

Wilder summed things up. "We are college students also and people need to respect us for doing our jobs as we need to."

SJC switches to TEXTRA 6.0

By Amy Bohney

Easier printer set-up, file merging, the ability to print envelopes and more available fonts are just a few of the advantages of the newly installed 6.0 commercial version of Norton Textra, according to Bruce Mathew, director of Saint Joe's computer center.

SJC made a switch from the 2.0 educational version of TEXTRA to the most updated version, 6.0, prior to the beginning of fall semester. "The old version had a lot of problems with the printer and what it could do with it. It was very limited to what printers it could use," said Mathew.

Some of the other advantages of the 6.0 version appear in the menu. The dictionary has been enhanced and now there is a thesaurus. Macros allow the user to do the same command several times. "Page preview," which works on everything but the color monitors, allows the user to look at the entire page layout. "Customize" permits one to set up margins, install printer, etc. permanently. "Name/address" keeps a record of people's names and addresses.

The only disadvantage, according to Mathew, is that the new version of TEXTRA takes up more memory because of the larger dictionary, the thesaurus and the on-line help. However, "that hasn't been a problem so far," said Mathew.

"We'll probably stay with this one for a while. Everyone seems to be pretty happy with it," he said.

Growing Up gives a spectacular written performance: A Core book review

by Audra Bailey

Opening the thick book seemed like such a chore. "This is gonna take me the whole semester to read," I said to myself without enthusiasm. But as the pages turned into chapters and chapters created the book *Growing Up*, I realized my assumptions were quite wrong. First of all, I wouldn't have the entire semester to read the book! Secondly, and frighteningly most important, I really liked the book!

Pulitzer Prize winner Russell Baker gives a spectacular performance, only in written words. It's as if I'm in a movie theatre in my mind. I'm there. I see, feel, smell, taste, hear all that Russell does.

As he takes us back to his childhood between the world wars and the Great Depression, we see the trials and triumphs of everyday life. He and his family worked against the many disadvantages the Depression offered. We see how family endures all, education furthers success, and how motivation makes one strong. From Baker's descriptive scenes throughout his life, we can make a "now and then" comparison. We can comprehend how he had to live. We can cry and laugh with him. I enjoyed every page in this book. His work is most excellent in the ability to take us back in time.

Baker has had many compliments from famous critics from the *Chicago SunTimes* "Book Week" to Ann Landers. All have given him only the best reviews on his original autobiographical art. So Russ, here's one more thumbs-up from Audra Bailey!

AUDITIONS...AUDITIONS...AUDITIONS

Westwood Productions is proud to present its ninth episode of the series, "Out of Class." In this episode a dead man's ghost returns to help his best friend deal with his death and stay in school. Auditions will take place on Monday, Sept. 30, at 9:00 pm. Cast includes 2 men, 2 women, 2 extras with lines, and many non-speaking parts. Everybody is encouraged to audition!

New staff profiles

By Norb Gray

Name: Katherine Sermersheim (better known as Katie)
Position: Director of Student Activities
Hometown: Huntingburg, IN
Vitals: Single
Education: B.S. Psychology University of S. Indiana; M.S. College Student Personnel W. Illinois
Recreation: Traveling and visiting other friends
Accomplishments:
Graduate advisor to Delta Zeta Sorority at W. Illinois; Leadership conference coordinator at WIU; Member of the National Association for Student Activities, National Association for Student Personnel Administrators, the National American College Personnel Association and the Western Illinois Student Personnel Association.
First Impressions of Saint Joseph's: "It is a small, quaint family type of community."
One thing you hope to bring to SJC: "I hope to implement a leadership development program and community service programs."
How would you make the world better?: "Focus on multicultural situations. Live together as one unified group and quit acting narrow-minded and ethnocentric."
One person in history you would like to meet: "I'm more into the 'right here, right now' making a difference right now."
Most Treasured Moment: "Any time I feel I made a difference with the students I worked with."
Most Embarrassing Moment: "Actually stealing a car which I thought to be a friend's and actually wasn't."

Name: Jerry Garrett
Position: assistant professor of education
Hometown: Greenfield, IN
Vitals: Wife Rebecca; Children Robert, Thomas, Jonathan and Suzanne.
Education: B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. in Education Ball State
Recreation: Flying (Hopes to start club at SJC), hunting pheasant, fishing, snowmobiling and writing.
Accomplishments:
Principal at Cross Cliff Elementary School (Clifford, Ind.); Adjunct professor in educational administration at IUPU at Columbus; Associate professor of elementary education and reading at Delta State University (Cleveland, Miss.)
Articles published include "Children Benefit from Praise" (Knightstown *Citizen*) and "High Self-Esteem Enhances School Achievements" (Hope *StarJournal*).
First Impressions of SJC: "It was very positive. I was impressed with the depth and breadth of preparation students receive."
One thing you hope to bring to SJC: "I was raised as a foster child, so I hope to understand the needs of the students. I also hope to share insight with prospective teachers on how to help children succeed."
How would you make the world better?: "Continue the efforts of several leaders in trying to establish peace. There are better ways of solving problems than war."
One person in history you would like to meet: "President Kennedy was amazing in the way he handled adverse situations in such positive ways."
Most treasured moment: "The birth of each one of my children and receiving all of my college degrees because my foster father told me I couldn't do it and I did."
Most embarrassing moment: "Once in grad school, I was writing a book and one editor told me it wasn't any good so I threw it into a dumpster. Then another editor wanted to look at it, so I had to climb into the dumpster, and sort through all the garbage. The police arrived, so I had some explaining to do. But as it turns out, the second editor said it was a great piece of writing.

Name: Sister Linda Kors
Position: associate campus minister
Hometown: Munster, IN
Vitals: Sister of the Holy Cross
Education: B.S. in occupational therapy IUPUI; Master's in religious studies Mundelein
Recreation: Hiking, shopping, trips to Chicago, working as a clown, playing a variety of instruments
Accomplishments:
Board of Directors at Sarah's Circle Drop-In Center for Women in Chicago; Director of occupational therapy/activities at St. Catherine by the Sea and director of liturgical music at Mission San Buenaventura; Director of campus ministry at Mundelein College in Chicago
First Impressions: "I liked the size and how much of a culture shock it was in coming from Chicago to the cornfields."

One thing you hope to bring to SJC: "Excitement about college age kids. Also, to help students help see their own leadership churches. I'll try to bring the best out of people and see what they're good at."
How would you make the world better?: "Continuing some of the things that I've been doing, i.e. special agencies and the women's shelter."
One person in history you would like to meet: "A black woman named Sojourner Truth because of her ability to help people in a disadvantaged place."
Most treasured moment: "Winning the 'Moderator of the Year' award at Mundelein College. The reasons that were read for my selection were: my allowance to let the students be the best they could be and allowed them to be leaders. It was real affirming because those things were everything I believe in."
Most embarrassing moment: "A lot of things, but all of them you have to be there to understand."

Also joining the SJC's full-time faculty are Susan Chattin and Brother Gerry Hall.

Chattin is currently seeking a master's degree from Valparaiso University and has been a Core lecturer since 1988. Chattin has been a guest lecturer in the department of religion since 1983 and participated in the 1990 Indiana Consortium for International Programs presentation on "Urbanization in Third World Countries." Chattin is a 1984 graduate of SJC and will serve as an instructor in humanities.

Hall returns to SJC as an assistant professor of geology and computer science. He was a part of the faculty at Calumet College of St. Joseph's during the past two years. He is also a graduate of SJC ('71) and received his master's degree in geology from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland

Campus undergoes summer renovations

By Diane Hebert

For the first time at Saint Joseph's College, a major renovation has been made to the Science Building.

As the sign in front of it indicates, windows and doors have been replaced. Restrooms have been upgraded and added. The electrical system has received attention along with exterior wall repair and tuckpointing. Also, the major remodeling of the library includes air conditioning, an elevator and a new stairwell.

The Science Building is now handicapped accessible.

"It looks like a real college now, more professional," said Ken Emerson, junior day student. "When you can't even open the windows it's pretty bad."

A combination of both state regulations and necessity led to these major modifications.

Necessity called for the new roofs on the carpenter shop, Aquinas Hall and the upper section of Raleigh Hall. The chapel and administration building were tuckpointed and now have aluminum siding covering the overhang on the breezeway between them.

Being the oldest dormitory in use, Merlini Hall received some attention as well. First- and second-floor hallway ceiling tiles have been removed amd the ceiling replastered and painted, along with the replacement of the shower stalls.

Trees and flowers have been planted to aid in the beautification of the campus. Flowers and lighting will be added around the statue of Saint Joseph.

The Student Association paid for street signs to be posted as well.

For the approaching Homecoming, Facilities and Planning is replacing some and completely painting all of the bleachers on Alumni Field. Also, a local artist will paint "Pumas" on the front of the press box.

"We started talking about [the renovation] last December and planned all through second semester," said Ron Geleott, assistant vice president for facilities and planning. "Then it was implemented the day after school ended, May 6, to be completed a week before the fall semester began. We pretty much stuck to that schedule."

The President's Council has made the decisions on where money is spent and how much will be spent.

Although a coincidental raise in tuition occurred this year, Mr. and Mrs. James Lennane donated the $1.2 million to fund the Science Building renovation. An additional $250,000 was spent on the miscellaneous improvements to the rest of the campus.

These projects have been paid for through donations raised during fund-raising campaigns.

Photo by Lynn Allyn Young

Shorts

WOMEN'S TENNIS LOOKS PROMISING

By Lauren Walker

The Saint Joseph's College women's tennis team began its season with an 8-1 victory over St. Francis College on Saturday, September 7. The team members feel this was a great beginning to the season and hope to remain on the winning track.

Playing in Saturday's match were doubles partners Cathy Collins and Ann Papandrea, Mary Quasney and Liz Rowden, Shelly Robertson and Jen Janusonis. Singles were played by all six.

The team looks promising this year with help from assistant coach Musa Pinar, who is working the girls hard. According to Collins, "The team has some strong freshmen this year and a conference title looks promising."

The team is excited about the onset of its season, and John Barrientos, coach of the team, hopes to see it through the conference. "I think we are going to have a good team this year, but we still have things to work on," Barrientos said. "With returning players and new recruits, I think we will be contenders for league champs."

Weekend sports highlights

9/21 FOOTBALL at U. of Indianapolis

Women's Cross Country at Manchester

Men's Soccer at Kentucky

On Pg. 7: Kevin Conner guns for the hole on the No. 3 fairway in the SJC Invitational Sept. 13.

Basketball's new look includes new head coach

By Mike Burns

The Saint Joseph College mens' basketball team is going to have a new look this season. The gym floor has been completely overhauled; the term "dead spots" will be forgotten very quickly. No longer will it be necessary to stop in the middle of a game and call Bill Massoels in search of a hammer to nail down uprooted nails. It is rumored that the new surface is going to have a design similar to that of Indiana University, with the state of Indiana outlined in the middle of a light-colored surface.

When the season tips off and one looks beyond the surface and down toward the Puma bench, one will see a new man at the helm of the Pumas. Recently hired Dan Peters will be the head coach of the Pumas, replacing long-standing coach Bill Hogan who accepted the athletic directorship at the University of San Francisco earlier this year.

Peters spent the past two years at the University of Akron (Ohio), where he was assistant basketball coach. He spent the previous five years at Walsh College in Ohio, taking on the head basketball job for his last three years there.

The style of play Peters employs will depend largely on his personnel. Though he would enjoy guiding a fast-break style team, he knows it is not always possible. The offensive scheme he uses is one of passing, screens and movement. In Peters' mind, "It is important that players learn how to read a defense. No matter what the defense the other team is playing, there are only three ways it can play it: loose, tight or overplay." Coach Peters maintains that it is up to the individual players to recognize what the opposition is playing and then take advantage of it. The Puma defense will be mostly man-to-man with some match-up zone.

This year's team will consist of players from the Hogan era, plus freshmen recruited by assistant coach Jack Trainer. Peters, due to the fact he was hired in late May, was unable to involve himself in the recruiting process. Trainer, who arrived at Saint Joseph's College in the fall of 1990, will retain his position as assistant coach of the Pumas.

Coach Peters is now familiarizing himself with his players, who are presently involved in a conditioning program. He is looking at them for the first time, just as they are encountering him for the first time. Peters believes in a policy of not prejudging his players. Neither does he desire hearsay from Puma followers about players, nor does he believe in viewing last year's game films in order to evaluate talent. His emphasis is on the present and the future.

Coach Peters has seen the level of competition in the Great Lakes Valley Conference. His Walsh College-led teams used to scrimmage Ashland University on a regular basis and he has also seen Bellarmine, Kentucky Wesleyan and IUPU-Fort Wayne play in the past few years.

Conference games dominate the 1991-92 schedule, the first one being at Ashland University on January 4, 1992. The first home game will be November 22, versus Trinity College.

Pumas resume gridiron grind; 0-2

By Jennifer Coffman and Jason Beres

The 1991 Saint Joseph's College football season is under way.

Saturday, September 7, marked the opening game for Saint Joe at Grand Valley State University. The Pumas suffered a 31-3 loss, and although the score may not indicate it, Saint Joe demonstrated a hard-fought battle.

"A few key plays determined the outcome of the game," commented senior co- captain Lance Layhew. "The score would have been a lot closer and we probably should have won, but those few plays really hurt us," he added.

Offensively, sophomore Jason Miskus put on an impressive display with his first start at the quarterback position.

On Sept. 14, the Pumas hosted the Butler Bulldogs, who handed the Pumas their second loss, 37-10.

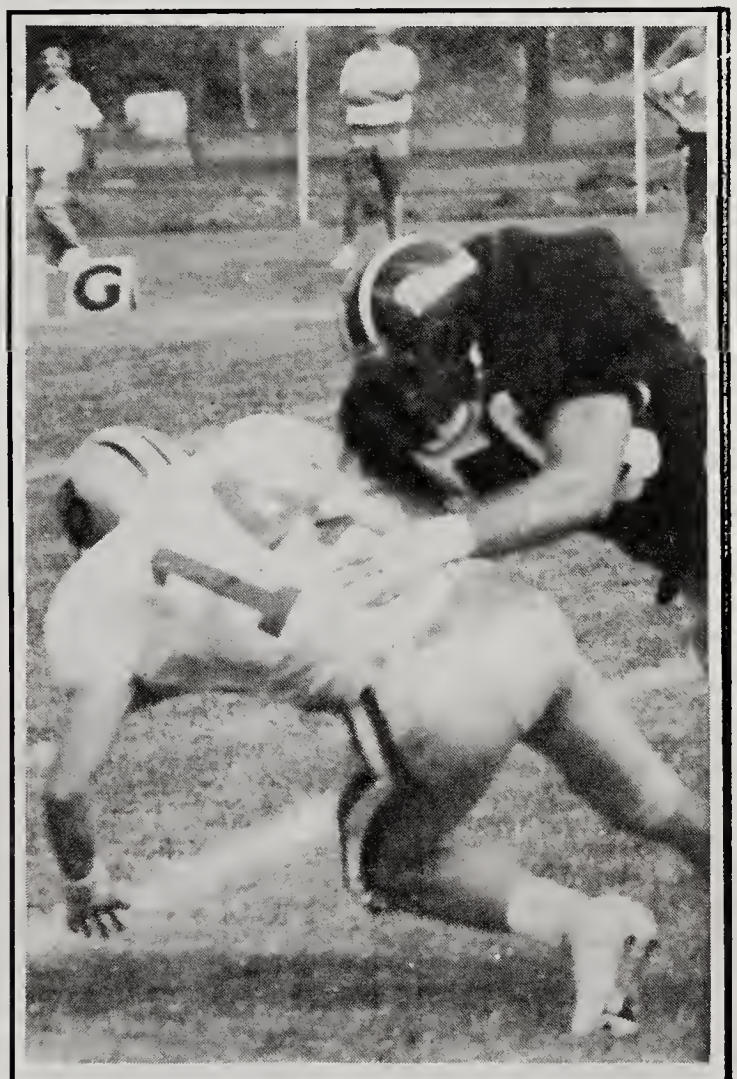
Senior defensive end Rick Willits felt that the Pumas outplayed themselves by failing to capitalize on several crucial Bulldog errors at pivotal points in the contest. "I think we looked good at times, both offensively and defensively, but we just need to be more consistent. It seemed that maybe if we would've made a few more big plays, the outcome of the game could've been completely different. Sometimes it's frustrating when you know you have the better team."

Apparently the coaches feel the same way. According to Willits, they have come up with a motivational catch phrase for the team to carry into next week's battle at the University of Indianapolis. "Going into this game, our motto is complete preparation and total performance."

The Pumas have already been hampered by injuries to junior defensive back John Anthony (knee ligaments) and senior Brian Flowers (bruised shin).

Saint Joe competes in the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference (MIFC). The eight teams that will square off against the Pumas include the University of Indianapolis, Saginaw Valley, Valparaiso, Ashland, Hillsdale, Wayne State, Northern Michigan and Ferris State.

The Pumas hope to overcome Saginaw Valley at Homecoming September 28 and to top off Parents' Weekend on October 19 with a win over Ashland. Seniors bid their farewell on November 16 as the team battles Ferris State.



Christopher Thieman

Senior co-captain Matt Brace (56) barrels like a frothing mad Rotweiler into a seemingly helpless Bulldog. Brace, a linebacker, has been the keystone to the Puma defense in past seasons.

Cross country runners gain experience

By Ryan Keen

Men's and women's head cross country coach Bill Massoels has a lot to smile about this fall. Although his teams didn't place very high at their first two meets, he believes his young runners will improve as they gain experience.

The Pumas' cross country season got under way on September 7 at the Indiana Wesleyan invitational. The ladies placed three runners in the top 10 on their way to a third-place tie with Valparaiso University. Cedarsville took the team title.

Freshman Tracy Matuga set the pace with her fifth-place finish. Junior Maureen Goeddeke finished seventh and freshman Lisa Perez finished eighth.

"I am really proud of the way our girls ran today," said Massoels. "Last year we didn't have enough girls to have a full team and today we tied for third. I think that is a great improvement."

The men's team placed sixth out of the nine-team field, but Massoels was still happy. Indiana Wesleyan defended their title.

"I think we did pretty good, considering the team is dominated by freshmen," Massoels said. "i look for us to improve more and more each meet."

Junior Tim Gordell (16th) was Saint Joe's top finisher. Next in line was freshman Craig Fee (26).

Last Saturday both teams went to the Taylor invitational. The ladies placed seventh out of the 14 teams invited. Once again Matuga was the top finisher on the team, placing eighth. Other top finishers were Goeddeke (9th) and Perez (24th).

The men's team placed ninth out of the 14 teams. Anderson University won both the men's and women's titles. Freshman Herb Dresbaugh led the way, finishing 25th. Behind him was Fee, who placed 29th.

"Both teams worked really hard here today," said Massoels. "The girls did really well. The men did too, considering they ran without two of their top five runners [Gordell and freshman Todd Troxell].

Last year the women had no team and the men had a record of 10-38 and placed ninth out of the 10 teams at the Great Lakes Valley Conference meet. Thus far, the women's record is 12-8-1. The men's record is 8-12.

"We should end up better than last year, and in the future both teams will do very well because the underclassmen are gaining experience early," Massoels said.

Jason Stankewicz

Fieldhouse rejuvenated by floor renovation

by Kim Patch

Four weeks ago, a company titled Floor Style out of Hastings, Michigan, began construction on the main floor in Hanson Fieldhouse. The project, which is done by hand, is expected to be completed at the end of September.

According to new head basketball coach and Associate Athletic Director Dan Peters, the floor is "one of the best in the state." The new maple wood floor contains no concrete or nails. This causes the floor to have a slight give, which decreases injuries due to running and jumping.

The original floor is being replaced for two reasons: The foundation was rotted, and the College had the opportunity to pay for a new floor with insurance money produced after complications in the reroofing of the fieldhouse last spring. Fr. Charles Banet, C.PP.S., made the final decision to put in the new floor.

The project has taken a total of eight workers and was begun by cutting and replacing the floorboards and foundation. Sanding the floor to make it even took 14 to 16 hours. Soon the workers will apply a sealer and draw permanent lines on the court and will then apply a second coat of sealer.

Peters states the floor is progressing as planned. His current concern is the new floor's upkeep. Only authorized teams will be allowed on the floor and street shoes will be prohibited.

Lynn Allyn Young

Frank Heacock and Joe Welch, (l to r), of Floor Style, Inc. place the finishing touches on the new fieldhouse floor.

GUNS N' ROSES:

How much is too much?

by Jon Nichols

As you open the door to the hotel room, you cannot help but notice that the room's table is smashed into splinters. There is a sizeable hole in the TV screen that is spewing smoke. Some strung-out woman is lying on the floor amidst a pile of empty beer and vodka bottles. She seems dazed as she fixes her lipstick. You realize that there can be only two explanations for this scene: Either the hotel staff has had a wild party...or this room once belonged to Guns N' Roses.

Not since the Doors has there been a band that leaves as much controversy in its wake as Guns N' Roses. Fronted by singer Axl Rose and a guitarist named Slash, the members of GN'R have been constant companions to controversy since their incipient stages. In 1989, guitarist Izzy Stradlin urinated in the galley of an aircraft. In 1990, Slash used obscenities on live network television.

Now with a major world tour under way, the Gunners show no sign of changing their ways. Last May, Axl Rose kept 40,000 fans waiting for two hours at Deer Creek Music Center in Indianapolis. Rose, who is a Lafayette native, was upset over comments they had received about themselves from fellow Hoosiers. A month later, GN'R managed to become involved in a riot while playing a show in St. Louis. Though Rose denies any involvement, St. Louis police officers are still considering charging him with inciting a riot. Axl maintains that lack of security at the arena was to blame.

To make matters worse, GN'R seem to be irritating other members of the rock n' roll community. After several insults from Axl Rose, Vince Neil, the lead singer for the heavy metal titans known as Motley Crue, challenged Rose to a fight. Says Neil, "I'm sick of his crap. Over the past year he's said a lot of bad things about me in the media. I wish I could have this fight on live TV."

Rebellion can be good. It shakes the pillars of conservatism and it can be a force for change. Rebellion can prevent a society from becoming stagnant. This is the opinion I once held of Axl and the rest of Guns N' Roses. But how far can one take rebellion until he or she turns it into just plain childish and irresponsible behavior?

I wrote a letter to Axl Rose to get his opinion on just this subject. My only reply was a form letter stating "Thank you for the letter, Jon. How many Guns N' Roses t-shirts would you like to buy?" I guess that answers my question.

Guns N' Roses are currently touring in Europe and seem to be doing so without incident. But don't worry. They will return this spring to burn America to the ground with more tour dates. One can only guess what headlines are ahead.

Coming Soon
Dear Jane

A biweekly advice column for Saint Joseph's students and faculty. Send your letters through e-mail to "Jane"

"SUPERSTITION" IS BRILLIANT

By Jason Hyde

Siouxsie and the Banshees first burst upon the music world during the punk rock movement of the late 1970s. Since their first album (1978's "The Scream"), they have proven themselves to be the most durable and vital band on the underground music scene. While most other punk bands have faded from view, the Banshees have constantly refined their trademark sound. That sound is expressed beautifully on the band's twelfth and latest album, "Superstition."

Like all Siouxsie and the Banshees' albums, "Superstition" is difficult to describe. The band's music is always best listened to rather than talked about. The album contains all the classic elements of a Banshees album: complex instrumentation, swirling melodies, poetic lyrics laden with dark undertones, and Siouxsie's bittersweet vocal style. All of these elements combine to form a sort of sonic tapestry that, once heard, can never be forgotten.

Perhaps the best way to review an album as confounding as "Superstition" is to look at how it compares to previous albums by these very unique artists. Although it is by no means their best (that honor goes to 1982's "A Kiss In The Dreamhouse"), "Superstition" does compare favorably with the Banshees' other releases. The album most closely resembles "Kaleidoscope" (1980), the band's crossover from the death punk sound of their first two albums to the more stylist, gothic sound of their more recent works.

Like "Kaleidoscope," the new album covers a number of musical styles without sounding disjointed. The first single, "Kiss Them For Me," is a somewhat upbeat, danceable companion to 1988's "Peek-a-boo." There are also a number of quiet ballads such as "Drifter" and "Softly," which is easily the most dreamlike song on an incredibly dreamlike album. In addition to the moody ballads, "Superstition" contains classic Siouxsie songs such as "Fear (of the Unknown)," "Cry," and best of all, "Shadowtime." These songs deserve the almost legendary status awarded older songs such as "Spellbound" and "Cities in Dust."

All 11 tracks on "Superstition" feature dazzling performances from every band member. Bassist Steve Severin once again proves himself to be the most accomplished musician in his field. Drummer Budgie continues to broaden his musical horizons with incredibly complex arrangements. Of course, Siouxsie Sioux is in excellent form as always. Her voice has the ability to be alternately menacing or seductive, and 13 years of screaming has not damaged it in any way. The two new Banshees, keyboardist/cellist Martin McCarrick and guitarist Jon Klein, also contribute immeasurably to the sound of this new album and will hopefully be part of the band for a long time to come.

All in all, "Superstition" is a brilliant, haunting, multi-layered work that will certainly make Banshees' fans forget that they waited three long years for its completion. The album proves that the wait was worthwhile.

HOMECOMING ACTIVITIES PLANNED

by Merrill Ruggaber

Saint Joseph's will be celebrating the centenial,during Homecoming weekend September 27 -29.

The Alumni Association and the Department of Alumni Affairs are hosting several activities including the Cabaret at Joe's Cafe on Friday, September 27.The cabaret is a dinner for the students and alumni of SJC and will feature musician, singer,and songwriter Carl Rosen.

On Saturday, there will be an alumni dinner, followed by an Alumni/Student Dance. The five-year reunion classes will be honored at the dinner, then all students and alumni are welcomed to come to the dance in the Halleck Center Ballroom.

For the sports fans, there will be an alumni baseball game and an alumni run on Saturday. At 1:30 on Saturday, the Puma's will play Saginaw Valley on the Alumni Football Field.

There will also be many more events happening around campus. There are lot's of activities planned for students and alumni.So have a fun weekend.

Risque Business Teaches Freshmen About College Life

by Merrill Ruggaber

OnSeptember 23,24, and 25, the play *Risque Business* will be performed in the Halleck Center Ballroom at 7 p.m. each night.

The play is being performed as a part of the new Freshman Seminar program. All freshmen are required to attend at least one evening.

Risque Business was written and first performed at the University of South Carolina. The play was intended to help freshmen address the numerous concerns ey face as they enter teir new environment.

The play use drma, music, and humor to bring up topics such as drinking and driving, underage drinking, date rape, smoking,drug abuse, and many other social problems new students face throughout college.

The Saint Joseph's version of *Risque Business* is directed by John Rahe and includes an all-student cast. The actors also added their own ideas in order to personalize the script for Saint Joseph's.

The play is open to all-students and faculty.